# REPORT OF THE TECHNICAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY ASSESSMENT OF THE KOMFO ANOKYE TEACHING HOSPITAL 26<sup>TH</sup> to 28<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2007

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# **ABBREVIATIONS**

ART Antiretroviral Therapy

AWARE Action for West African Region

CEO Chief Executive Officer

FHI Family Health International

GHS Ghana Health Services

HR Human Resource

IT Information Technology

KATH Komfo Anokye Teaching Hospital

LAN Local Area Network

M&E Monitoring and Evaluation

MOU Memorandum of Understanding

PLWHA Person Living with HIV/AIDS

PRO Public Relations Officer

QA Quality Assurance

RHS Regional Health Services

TOCAT Technical and Organizational Capacity Assessment Tool

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#### INTRODUCTION

The Komfo Anokye Teaching Hospital (KATH), Kumasi is one of the three Teaching Hospitals in Ghana which provides training for medical students, nurses and postgraduate students among others. It has highly skilled medical officers, specialists and consultants and with a bed capacity of over 1000 it sees over 420,000 out patients per annum. KATH houses the Kwame Nkrumah University of Science of Technology School of Medical Sciences which comprises; the Medical School, School of Laboratory Medical Technology and the Nursing School among others. The hospital serves as a training ground for different categories of health workers.

Since 1995, the KATH Department of Medicine has been providing treatment of opportunistic infections for Persons Living with HIV/ AIDS (PLWHA). In December 2003, Ghana received support from the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Malaria and TB to purchase antiretroviral drugs. KATH with support from Family Health International and National AIDS Control Program trained various categories of health workers including doctors, nurses, pharmacists, counselors, and data clerks to be able to provide comprehensive care including Anti-retroviral therapy (ART), management of opportunistic infections and adherence counseling to persons living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHA) on a large scale. Antiretroviral therapy started in February 2004.

The hospital has about 800 adults and children on antiretroviral therapy with over 2500 patients enrolled in the clinical care program and monthly average enrolment rate of 40. It is currently the second largest of the 4 sites providing antiretroviral therapy in Ghana.

The ART Program has a well developed computer based Health Information Management System. The computerized database is used for generation of monthly reports, research and mainstreaming lessons learned into the national program. Komfo Anokye thus has a team of health workers with the technical know how and requisite expertise to provide training and comprehensive HIV care including provision of ART in the sub region.

The KATH was one of the partners on the START program aimed at improving the quality of life for people living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHA) and their families through the provision of comprehensive HIV/AIDS prevention, care and treatment services. This care and treatment program has distinguished itself in West Africa by its unique approach to organizing the care and treatment characterized by its comprehensiveness (from prevention to care with involvement of stakeholders at all levels) and its creative way to improving adherence through the promotion of disclosure and the use of adherence monitors (treatment buddy). This program has been identified by the AWARE regional Task Force on care and treatment as a best practice and a worthwhile experience that can benefit other countries in the region covered by the AWARE Project. As a training institution, KATH has been selected to contribute to the dissemination of the Ghana care and treatment experience.

To promote the expansion of care and treatment programs in West Africa, AWARE collaborated with KATH toward the improvement of knowledge and capacity to

implement comprehensive HIV/AIDS care and treatment interventions among decision makers, managers, and providers in the region through dissemination of lessons learned, appropriate training and provision of Technical Assistance to countries. AWARE provided KATH with technical and financial support to ensure that KATH is able to play its role as a regional resource.

To this end, in July 2004, a self-assessment using The Technical and Organizational Capacity Assessment Tool (TOCAT) developed by Family Health International (FHI) to determine its capacity in technical management, organizational management, capacity development approaches, and marketing was conducted. This second TOCA is undertaken to determine whether KATH has improved within the period of the collaboration between KATH and AWARE-HIV/AIDS.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

- 1) Carry out a successful participatory assessment of the capacity of KATH; specifically in the areas of technical management, organization management, capacity development approaches and marketing and communication using the TOCAT developed by FHI.
- 2) To determine whether there has been improvement in the technical and organizational capacity of KATH
- 2) Prepare an Action Plan and next steps in areas that are identified as high priority in the technical and organizational capacity of the KATH.

# **METHODOLOGY**

The TOCAT was undertaken in Komfo Anokye Teaching Hospital in a three-day workshop. Upon discussion with the Chief Executive Officer participants for the workshop were selected to fit into the four assessment areas, namely Organizational Management, Technical Management, Capacity development approaches and Marketing and Communication. (Please find list of participants attached in Annexe 1)

The participants were taken through the presentations on AWARE-HIV/AIDS and its collaboration with KATH, and on the Technical and Organizational Capacity Assessment process and tool. Using the tool, members of the four groups then individually assessed and scored their specific areas.

Following this, participants discussed the findings and achieve a consensus on the scores, strengths, challenges and recommendations during group work sessions. The groups reviewed the 2005 TOCAT and compared it with the present consensus. Reasons were provided for the differences in the results. Group presentations were then made at plenary sessions to validate the findings and identify priority areas for improvement. The results obtained were as a result of in-depth discussions between each group and validation and consensus building in plenary sessions. In a number of instances the scoring was changed due to new information provided by other members of the larger group or upon discussion with the larger group.

Using this information, the individual groups developed action plans for improvement of the institution which were validated at a plenary session. The action plan was presented to the Hospital Management for next steps

#### **LIMITATIONS**

The self assessment is a qualitative process and thus the values only provided an indication of improvement.

The previous assessment was conducted by a different group, (some members of the group were part of the previous assessment and while others were new participants).

#### **RESULTS**

The scores validated at the plenary session are indicated in the graphs below and the synthesis of all these findings is presented in the next tables by management area. The hospital's strengths, challenges as well as the recommendations for actions were presented by each group and agreed upon in a plenary session.

In 2004 the assessment team admitted KATH's strength in organizational management but were not able to effectively market their activities and thus scored low in the marketing area. AWARE-HIV/AIDS has provided some support in this area as well as in the capacity development areas/ skills transfer and the hospital itself has made efforts to improve these areas and has provided its own funding. After two years, comparing areas which were scored in 2005 were as follows: The overall result ranged between 58.1% (skills transfer) and 82.1% (organizational management). Improvements have been noted in all the four areas, particularly in technical management which improved by 18.6%.

The graph below indicates the results of the TOCAT in 2005 compared with 2007.

#### 90 80 70 PERCENTAGE SCORES 60 50 2005 40 **2**007 30 20 10 Skills transfer Technical organizational Marketing Management Management **AREA**

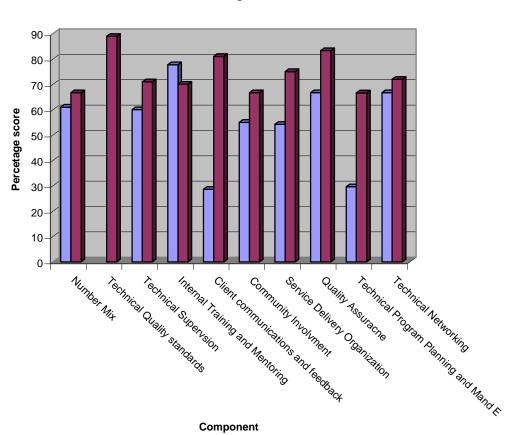
#### **TOCAT OVERALL SCORES**

The next section describes the results in each area

## **Technical Management Area**

The 10 technical management areas reviewed were:

Number, mix and capacity of technical staff; Technical supervision, Internal Training and mentoring; Client communication and feedback, community involvement, Service delivery organization, Quality assurance, Technical Program Planning and M and E, Technical Networking.



Technical Management Score in 2005 and 2007

The assessment ranked KATH as a systematically achieving system (3) with scores ranging between 66.7% and 88.9% and overall average score of 74.1%. None of the components scored below 50%. This compared favorably with scores in 2005 where the overall average was 55.5%. Most areas showed areas of improvement with the exception of Internal training and mentoring which scored below the score in 2005. This, the team explained was due to the absence of a formal mentoring system and thus did not deserve a high score. The area of the number of mix and capacity of technical staff would have received a higher score however the team agreed though steps had been taken to train staff and relevant specialist, however most were still in training and thus results of the investment would be reaped in the future and had not yet been reaped at the time of the assessment.

Component

Strength	Areas for Improvement	Recommendations
Adequacy in no. and mix and	- Need to increase the number of	Numbers and technical skills
calibre of staff in most	specialists in some disciplines i.e.	Numbers in Oncology and
disciplines in the Hospital.	oncologists, pathologists	Pathology still need
		improvement
Available documented protocols	To improve upon dissemination	
for all technical areas	protocols	
	To dev protocols for some	
Strong national and international	technical areas, eg. Management of	
links eg Utah, Michigan, Liverpool,	breast cancer	
Liverpoor,		
Accredited regional training		
centre for STI treatment & care,		
well established VCT Unit		
Normal practice based on	Non-existence of formal mentoring	Need to develop a formal
internationally accepted	system	mentoring system
standards and curricular		
Availability of internationally		
accredited trainers		
Client education now well	To improve on CS survey	To involve clients more actively
coordinated:	frequency	in determining care & support
Established sytues ab tasse and		priorities.
Established outreach team and		
outreach regularly undertaken Strengths		
Suchguis		
Health promotion talks regularly		
held & info is update. E.g. OPDs		
CS survey improved		
improvements		
Proactive measures undertaken	Need to analyse & address access	
with target communities e.g.	issues with community	
Barekuma project, Mankranso		
(breast care), etc.		
Effective & routine outreach		
programmes		
Programmes		
Available capacity to undertake		
outreach activities		
Regular training of technical	Waiting time is still poor	Follow-up services need
personnel		improvement to clients
24 hr service delivery to target		
population		
Improved infrastructure to		
Improved infrastructure to		
provide quality service delivery Strengthened QA unit	CS survey to be improved	Further dissemination of staff
Available desks to handle clients	CS survey to be improved	QA responsibility
complaints		211 responsibility
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Strength	Areas for Improvement	Recommendations
Job descriptions now include QA responsibilities		
Available strategic plan which guides operational & technical planning	Need to communicate results of M & E and researches to clients	
Available M & E unit which ensures regular M & E of activities		
Various operational researches ongoing & used to improve service delivery improvements		
Strong collaborations with national & international organizations	Broaden accessibility to international partners & experts	Sensitize staff on need to network:
Significant participation in national operational policies		feedback on results of Networking

The team identified the following areas as priority and recommended the following:

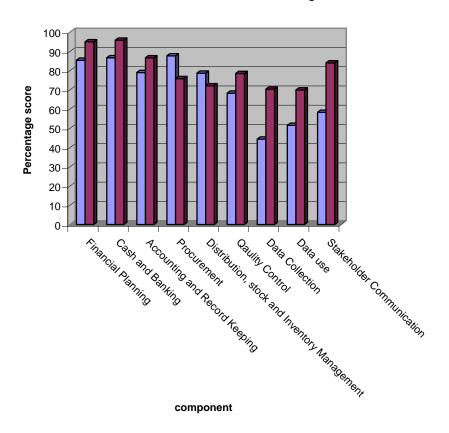
- 1. Technical program planning and M & E
  - a. Need to seek inputs of clients in planning service delivery
  - b. Provide feedback on operational researches to clients
- 2. Community involvement
  - a. Need to improve upon relevance of community in service delivery
- 3. No., Mix and capacity of technical personnel
  - a. Need to obtain accreditation & train more specialists in all technical
- 4. Internal training and Mentoring
  - a. To develop formal mentoring system for all technical personnel

# **Organizational Management**

The components scored were:

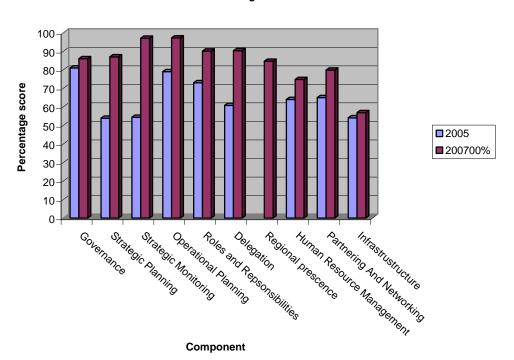
Governance, Strategic Planning, Strategic Monitoring, Operational Planning, Roles and Responsibilities, Delegation of Authority and Decision- Making, Staffing and Human Resource Management, Partnering and Networking, Adequacy of Physical Infrastructure, Financial Planning and Budgeting, Cash and Banking, Accounting and Record Keeping, Procurement, Distribution, stock and Inventory Management, Quality Control for Critical Drugs, Equipment and Supplies, Data Collection System, Data Use and Culture in formation, Stakeholder Communication and Reporting. The strengths, areas for improvement and recommendations are described in the table below.

#### Financial managment





#### General Management score 2005 and 2007



In organizational management scores ranged between 44.4% (data collection system) and 87.7% (procurement). The weakest components were components involved in data collection, collation and dissemination of information. Generally the financing components were scored high. The strengths, areas for improvement and recommendations are described in the table below.

Strength	Areas for Improvement	Recommendations
Governance	Succession planning	Succession plans should be
The board provides overall		implemented at all level
policy direction and oversight	Regarding the community and	
	stakeholders as partners	Need to involve stakeholders
The board provides		more and systematically
accountability and credibility		
Has a strong organizational structure		
Leadership style of senior management is participatory		
Well set up planning unit with	Systematic provides for getting	Dissemination of strategic plan
qualified personnel and well	community involved in	to all staff and stakeholders
drawn strategy	organization	
		Develop a specific strategy for
Strategic plan available	Monitoring committee should be	our collaboration with other
	supported to correct the variance between targeted and actual	stakeholders such as GHS and private practitioners such that
	between targeted and actual	roles and responsibilities are
	Research activities should be	clearly defined and clearly
	supported	execute them
		Components of Strategic plan
	Improvement in the environmental	<ul> <li>Advocacy</li> </ul>
	scanning	Working with GHS
		<ul> <li>Communication plan for the communities</li> </ul>
Mostly follow strategic plan and	Budget is prepared by the mid-year	Data (storage and use)
annual budget	of the previous year and thus does	management should be
	not include input and data for a	strengthened for planning
	full annual budget.	purposes at the directorate level
	Dissemination of success and	
	failures	5:
The designated personnel have	The job description needs to be	Dissemination of job description
requisite background training and capabilities required.	made available to all staff at levels And trained for those roles	to all staff.
and capabilities required.	And trained for those foles	Training of staff in
Some amount of authority is		management for all staff in
given to every level of position		management roles
of the organizational structure		
and various hierarchy		Strengthen in-service training
		for non-professional to enable
Well structured organizational		them
structure which most effectively		
meets the objective, goal and targets of the institution		
targets of the institution		
Details job description which		

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clearly shows the duties and		
responsibilities of each member		
of the organization		
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An appropriate and effective line		
of reporting		
Disciplinary code	Improve staff mix	Approve a and Disseminate HR
HR policy at board level for		policy
approval		
Code of ethics		Increase the number of relevant
Staffing norms		technical staff
Partnerships with external	Improve partnership with local	Dissemination and
associates	agents	implementation of referral
		system
Strong partnerships		System
Available referral policy		
Have been a credited regionally	Need to track geographic coverage	
in HIV/AIDS	recti to track geographic coverage	
III III V/AIDS		
Continuing modical advantica		
Continuing medical education		
along the west coast		
Adequacy of Physical		
infrastuctre		
New construction/ project on-		
going and renovations of old		
structure on going		
Financial planning and		Continuous training for
budgeting		accounting staff
Financial practices in line with		
financial administration act and		
account treasury and financial		
rules		
Prudent financial management		
practices		
Cashing and Banking	Filing of information and retrieval	Continue to follow the financial
Financial rules are followed s	of data	rules
	of data	Tules
strictly		
Every cash collected is banking		Endonesia a succession del
		Endeavour to prepare monthly
		trail balance
		Make computers available
All senior managers have and	- Lack of communication to junior	Sensitization on communication
know their roles &	staff at the directorate level	at directorate level needed
responsibilities		
There is decentralization in place		The decentralization system
& is being operationalized		should be documented i.e. how
		it works
HR unit activities are yielding	- Issue of personnel policy manual	- There is need to develop a
results	not available to all staff	personal manual
There is a disciplinary code	and the same of the same	r
There is an orientation for all		
new staff		
	It is compertmentalized	Strongthan naturalisms within
Partnership exists	It is compartmentalised	Strengthen networking within
		(information, communication,

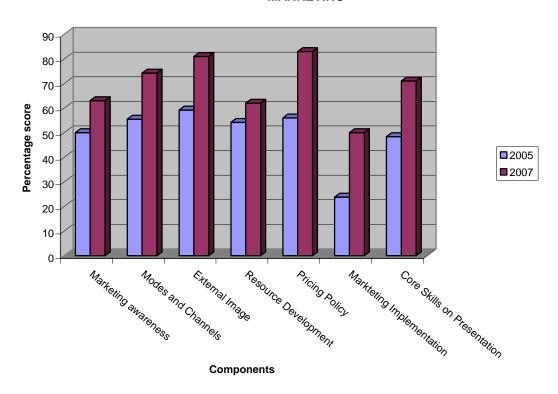
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		coordination)
		- Although some measures are
		being put in place to improve
		physical infrastructure there are
		still the issues of space and
		equipment for service delivery.
- Financial planning &		
budgeting		
is well systematized with a lot of		
controls in place		
- Cash & banking is well		
organised with good financial		
policies		
policies		
- Accounting & record keeping		- However trail balance is done
is generally good		quarterly
Procurement laws are adhered to		
- The stores system is well		- Sensitize staff of the stores on
regulated		what goes on in the stores and
		other members of staff
		- Issuing of bulletin on what is
		in the stores, pharmacy etc.
		- Regular communication
		- Educate people on what they
		need
		- Supervisor should check
		requisition to ensure that only
		what is required is demanded
		-Stores should give what is
		needed
- Quality control for critical	Inadequate communication	- Need to address stock out
drugs, equipment & supplies	between procurement committee	issues
- There are systems in place for	and the different directorates	- Need the people on the ground
monitoring drug supplies		to know lines of communication
	Lines communication on logistics	- Members on procurement
	not clear to all staff	committees should relay it to
		different directorates
		- Non performers in terms of
		quality, time, price should be
		addressed
	- The management information	- There is the need for
	system is not well structured	improvement in the
		communication on the use of
		data
		- Communication with the
		community needs improvement
		- Identify indicators needed
		-Data managers needed in each
		directorate

# Marketing

The components assessed were; Marketing Awareness and Strategy, Marketing Modes/Channels, External Image and Promotion, Resources Development/ Proposal

Management, Pricing Policy, Marketing Implementation, Core Skills in presentation and representation.

#### **MARKETING**



The assessment team ranked KATH as a systematically achieving system with scores ranging between 50% and 83% and overall average score of 69.2%. This compared favorably with scores in 2005 where the overall average was 48.4%. Most areas showed areas of improvement.

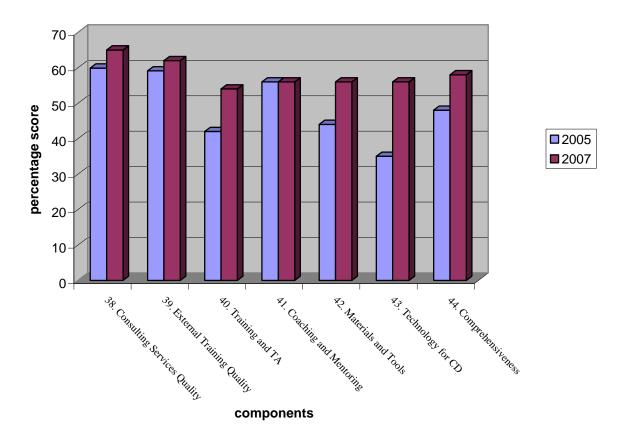
Strength	Areas for Improvement	Recommendations
Resource development &	-	-
Proposal management	Identification of researchable areas	
The setting up of:	for research aimed at improving	
Research & Dev't office,	quality of care.	
Planning, Monitoring &	Coordination of research activities.	
Evaluation Unit.	Improve training in proposal	
Establishment of Marketing	writing	
Committee	Increase resources to R&D Center.	
Existence of Supply chain Unit.		
Marketing awareness		
Availability of strategic Plan		
Establishment of units like PRO,		
R&D, PM&E Units.		
Marketing of the hospital	Need to market the marketing	Widen the membership of the
through:	committee and it's activities	marketing committee to all
Effective media relations		directorates
Production of Journals,		
Magazine, brochures & hoisting		
of KATH Website.		

Strength	Areas for Improvement	Recommendations
Presentation proposals to donors		
Establishment of PRO's office.		
External Image		Increase circulation of the news
Development of close contact		letter (also beyond the country)
with the media		Regular update of Website
Well circulated news letter,		Publication wide dissemination of
brochures and annual report		annual report and strategic plan of
Development of champions		hospital
Marketing Implementation		Need to strengthen and resource
Strong of QA activities		marketing committee
workshops on client and staff		Training of staff
relation		
Effective handling of complaints		
Presentation skills		Extend training opportunities to
Establishing of the marketing		other staff
committee		Trained staff should be given
Training of key staff in		opportunity to exhibit skills
presentation skills		

# **Capacity Development Approaches**

The components assessed were: consulting services quality, external training quality, Training and Technical Assistance Planning, Coaching and Mentoring, Materials and Tools, Technology for Capacity Development, Comprehensiveness of approach.

#### Skills transfer score 2005 and 2007



The assessment ranked KATH as a systematically achieving system with scores ranging between 48% and 65% and overall average score of 56.7%. Only comprehensive approaches scored below 50%. This compared favorably with scores in 2005 where the overall average was 49.1% and four components scored below 50%. Most areas showed areas of improvement apart from comprehensive approached which remained the same. The strengths and areas for improvement are depicted in the table below

Strength	Areas for Improvement	Recommendations
CONSULTING SERVICES	Setting up, monitoring and	
QUALITY	evaluation of internal quality	
	standards	
Standard referral policy exits		
and adopted by most District		
Hospitals		
Quality assurance policy also		
exits and adopted by Ghana		
Health service		
District and Private Hospital and		
other West African Countries		
send their Staff to KATH for		
training		

Strength	Areas for Improvement	Recommendations
Availability of expertise and trainer as well as facilities		
EXTERNAL TRAINING QUALITY	Strengthen monitoring and evaluation capacity in external training	
Many specialist units exit for training, eg Training of ENT Nursing, Nurse Anesthetist, Post Graduate Training for Doctors and other staff		
Consultancy services available (Expertise and facility available		
TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PLANNING	The need for refresher courses for the trainers (TOT)	
Existence of In-service training unit	The need to monitor and evaluate trainers	
Resource persons exists		
Functional system of identifying training needs exists		
COACHING AND MENTORING Availability of mentors	Mentors should be identified and supported to mentor others	
The organization has capable people to mentor but no established system of mentoring		
MATERIALS AND TOOLS In-services training and QA coordinators, Resource persons, availability of log books	Obtain more material and tools for training e.g. computers	Equip resource center with sufficient journals and a library
Some Directorates have Libraries		
TECHNOLOGY FOR CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT	Provision of learning materials	Buy more journals and equip library
Some computers are available but they are for official use mostly but not for learning purposes		Establish a centralized library  Improve on Planned Preventive maintenance and trouble shooting
Availability of modern equipments e.g CT Scan, Ultrasonography machines, Endoscopes, ECG machines, some monitors Computer and biomedical engineering Unit		

Strength	Areas for Improvement	Recommendations
New administration block under construction being built  COMPREHENSIVENESS OF	Need to improve an documentation	
APPROACH Human Resource Unit facilitates education and training	Need to improve on documentation of skills transfer	
Availability of training centre. Training is tailored to the needs		

#### PRIORITY AREAS

A. COMPREHENSIVENESS OF APPROACH: Priority level 1

#### How to improve

- 1. Develop manuals for transfer of skills from trainers to trainees
- 2. System should be in place for trainees to transfer skills and knowledge acquired to others
- 3. Trainees should submit report of training attended to their appropriate authority
- 4. Central training and education team comprising of representatives of various Directorates and Units

#### B.COACHING AND MENTORING: Priority level 1

#### How to improve

- 1. Establishment of policy guidelines on mentoring and coaching
- 2. Mentors should be identified and supported to mentor others

The recommendations were prioritized by the groups and the following action plan were developed and validated at the plenary session.

# **ACTION PLAN**

# **TECHNICAL MANAGEMENT**

COMPONENT	ACTION	HOW?	WHO IS RESPONSIBLE	MONITORING AND VERIFICATION	WHEN?
Technical Programme Planning & Monitoring and Evaluation	Need to enhance provision of feedback on M & E reports to clients (esp. internal clients)	Give M&E reports to Directorates/Units	Planning, M & E office	Regular assessment reports - bi-annually	Ending 2007
	Include community input in annual workplan development	institute open days to invite public views	Hospital management	community durbars held	by end of 2008
Community Involvement	Development of strong linkages with Regional Health Administration	Regular/quarterly meetings stakeholder agencies eg. RHS;	Hospital Management,	Availability of MOUs, Regular meetings with RHS	By mid 2008
	Increased Outreach Activities				
Number Mix & Capacity of Technical Staff	Capacity of for clinicians and Nurses	Through GCPS programme	Clinical Heads, Lead Clinicians and Training Programme Co- ordinators; and Medical Director, Director Nursing	Progression of trainees per year; Products per year; Feedback from trainees	Aspire to increas existing levels by 25% by 2008
			nmes (Subspecialty nursing	g)	
	Increase clinicians in Oncology and Pathology	Entice clinicians to train	in Oncology		
	Recruitment of specialists from outside				
Internal Training and Mentoring	Development of formal mentoring system	Development of Mentoring policy guidelines	Hospital Management and Directorate Management Teams	Availability of Mentoring Policy document	mid 2008
		Identification and Capac Mentors	ity development of	Documentation of Mentors and Mentees	

## **ORGANIZATIONAL MANAGEMENT**

COMPONENT	ACTION	HOW?	WHO IS RESPONSIBLE	MONITORING AND VERIFICATION	WHEN?
Adequacy of physical infrastructure	To submit funding proposals to key individuals and organization(local & abroad) to solicit finance for projects	identify key advocates and sponsors	Hospital management	written proposals/ business plans	on going
Use of data and culture of information	develop capacity for info sharing	through ICT and provision of computers at service points	Directorate management teams	available computers, literacy in ICT improved	on going
Data collection system	improve feedback on M & E reports	submit quarterly M & E reports	PME	reports submitted	quarterly
Distribution, stock and inventory management	Enhancing record keeping of stock at user points	computerize and network stock activities at user points	Management/ICT		mid 2008
	enhance frequency of stock taking		Internal Audit/ Stores		mid 2008
	close monitoring of stocks/supplies	fix CCT cameras at stores areas in the hospital	management		Mar-08
Staff and human resource management	Develop HR policy and disseminate	hold sessions at directorate levels to disseminate	Management/HR	Available HR policy	end of year
	encourage staff to specialize	provision of study sponsorship	Management/HR		ongoing

# MARKETING AND COMMUNICATION

COMPONENT	ACTION	HOW	WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?	MONITORING AND	TIME
				VERIFICATION	FRAME
Marketing awareness	To draw up a formal	Identify the marketing	Management/ Marketing	Availability of marketing	By the end of
and strategy	marketing strategy with	component in the hospital's	Committee.	strategy document and its	2nd Qtr of 2008
	specific targets.	strategic plan and fashion out		dissemination among Key	
		a marketing strategy out of it.		personnel	
Marketing	To widen the membership	Identify staff and hold regular	QA and Public Relations		Immediate
implementation	of the marketing committee	meetings	Units		October 2007
			Marketing Committee		
		Train members of marketing			October 2007
		committee			
	To have well- defined				By 1st Qtr of

COMPONENT	ACTION	HOW	WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?	MONITORING AND VERIFICATION	TIME FRAME
	marketing activities.  To improve on staff/customer relations	Prepare a marketing plan.  Train staff in customer relations.  Train staff in marketing activities to be able to market the hospital.	HR and QA Units	Have well-defined marketing activities. Reduction in number of complaints  50% of front line staff and key staff trained in marketing related activities.	2008 End of 2008
External image and promotion	To increase circulation of news letter internally and extend it beyond the country.	Widely circulate KATH Newsletter/brochures to all health institutions which refer patients to the hospital and other customers from the West African sub-region Regular organization of media events and staff durbars.	Management/Public Relations Unit	Increased public knowledge of the hospital and services/activities  Referred patients attending clinic on specified days	By the end of 2008
	To widely disseminate annual report and strategic plan of the hospital. To regularly update of Website	Update KATH website regularly  Work with the QA and other departments to improve staff attitude	PM&E /PRO I.T/PRO	Number of media events held Website Updated	From Q1 2008
	To improve staff attitude/ (customer service)	Study on the determinants of staff attitude  Develop strategies /communication plan to improve it. Implement the strategies	Marketing committee/ QA/HR	Staff attitude improved Study conducted and results dissemination Strategies implemented	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>RD</sup> Quarter 2008 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2008
Core skills in presentation and Representation	To extend training opportunities to other staff	Create platform for beneficiaries to train others.	Marketing committee.	60% of key staff trained (tops and middle level management)	By the end of 2009

COMPONENT	ACTION	HOW	WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?	MONITORING AND VERIFICATION	TIME FRAME
	Trained staff should be given opportunity to exhibit skills	Encourage staff to make presentations on behalf of the hospital		Opportunity granted for trained staff to exhibit the skills	
Resource development and proposal management	To identify researchable areas for research aimed at improving quality of care.  Coordination of research activities.  Improve training in proposal writing	Resource research and Development Office.  Put a systematic program in place for the identification of researchable areas	Management/R&D/ PM&E	Research and Development Office resourced  System established  Researchable areas identified 15 trained in proposal writing	ongoing  Each year
Marketing modes/channels	To resource PR unit  Development of champions/advocates	Resource PR unit.  Establish new links and strengthen existing links with partners and philanthropists	Management & PR unit.	PR unit resourced  Advocates Identified	By the end of 2008
<b>Pricing Policies</b>	Active participation in fixing prices for services.	Liaise with NHI council & corporate clients.	Management	Meeting with NHIC on tariffs attended.	Ongoing

# **CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT APPROACHES**

COMPONENT	ACTION	HOW	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	MEANS OF	TIME
				MONITORING &	FRAME
				VERIFICATION	
COMPREHEN-	Develop training manuals	Training coordinators and	Head of Training &	Manual developed	End of
SIVENESS OF		stakeholders committee should	development assisted by		March 2008
APPROACH	System to be in place for	be constituted to develop	Directorate training		
	trainees to transfer skills	manuals and reporting formats	coordinators		
	and knowledge acquired to	for skills transfer			
	others				
	Trainees should submit				

COMPONENT	ACTION	HOW	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	MEANS OF MONITORING & VERIFICATION	TIME FRAME
	report of training attended to their appropriate authority				
COACHING AND MENTORING	Establish policy guidelines on mentoring and coaching Mentors should be identified and supported to	Directorates and HRU should develop guidelines Directorates and units should identify people as Mentors	Directorate training coordinators and a Head of training & dev't .Directorate Management Team	Guideline developed  Mentors identified and	End of June 2008 End of June
	mentor others			appointed	2008
Consulting services quality	Enforcing discipline in Consulting Rooms     To increase outreach activities	Periodic checks on staff on duty  Regular organization of outreach services to the public Create more specialist units	Head of Directorate/     Nurse Manager      Management	Staff presence will be felt – Staff on duty will be at post  More outreach services organized	On going On going On going
	1.To improve access to specialist care		Management	No. of specialist units increased and working	
External training quality	1. To. Identify and address the training needs of clients/staff	Carry out needs assessment of staff on training	HR/QA/PM&E	Needs assessment done	End of June 2008
	2. To Strengthen monitoring and evaluation system for internal and external training	Keeping track of staff under going training both internal and external	HR	System put in place	On going

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

The main recommendation of the assessment team for AWARE-HIV/AIDS to continue to support various areas identified as priority actions. It was noted during the discussions that a number of marketing activities that should have been implemented in the previous action plans had not yet been done. This was despite available funding from AWARE-HIV/AIDS. This would have resulted in higher scores in the marketing area. It was recommended that these activities (mainly marketing) should be implemented as quickly as possible.

The main recommendations were to:

- 1. Review and finalize the action plans and implement them accordingly
- 2. Implement activities that have funding available e.g. marketing
- 3. Ensure that activities without funding are integrated into the institutional plans and are thus funded.
- 4. Ensure follow up for marketing and skills transfer activities which still need further improvement

#### **NEXT STEPS**

- 1. The finalized TOCA report will be sent to the Chief Executive;
- 2. The findings will be shared with other staff and stakeholders
- 3. Management will support the implementation of action plans and incorporated actions into KATH's institutional plans and monitor its implementation
- 4. The Progress of the plan will be monitored and reported to management.

#### CONCLUSION

The participants of the workshop found the Technical and Organizational Capacity Assessment exercise useful and helped them to identify areas for improvement within the institution. Some of the activities are feasible without external funding and can be implemented by the hospital. Others can inform the strategic direction of the hospital's plans. External funding can also be sought for other external agencies to address the prioritised activities in the action plan.

# **Annex 1: Summary Profile of the Technical Leadership Institution**

A. Technical Capacity	2005	2007	2007
1. Number, Mix and Capacity Of Technical Staff	61%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	66.7%
2. Technical Quality Standards		(1)(2)(3)( <b>4</b> )	88.9%
3. Technical Supervision	60%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	71%
4. Internal Training and Mentoring	77.7%	(1)(2)(3)(4)	70%
5. Client Communications and Feedback	28.6%	(1)(2)(3)(4)	81%
6. Community Involvement	55%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	66.7%
7. Service Delivery Organization	54.2%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	75%
8. Quality Assurance	66.7%	(1)(2)(3)(4)	83.3%
9. Technical Program Planning and M&E	29.6%	(1)(2)(3)(4)	66.6%
10. Technical Networking	66.7%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	72%
Overall average	55.5%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	74.12%
B. Organizational Capacity		·	
General Management			
11. Governance	81%	(1)(2)(3)( <b>4</b> )	86%
12. Strategic Planning	53.9%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	87%
13. Strategic Monitoring	54.4%	(1)(2)(3)(4)	97%
14. Operational Planning	79%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	97.2%
15. Structure: Roles and Responsibilities	73%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	90.1%
16. Structure: Delegation of Authority and Decision- Making	60.8%	(1)(2)(3)(4)	90.3%
17. Staffing and Human Resource Management	64%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	74.8%
18. Regional Presence / Geographical Coverage	Nr	(1)(2)(3)( <b>4</b> )	84.6%
19. Partnering and Networking	65%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	79.9%
20. Adequacy of Physical Infrastructure	54.1%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	56.9%
Finance			•
21. Financial Planning and Budgeting	85.4%	(1)(2)(3)( <b>4</b> )	95%
22. Cash and Banking	86.7%	(1)(2)(3)( <b>4</b> )	95.8%
23. Accounting and Record Keeping	79%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	86.7%
Logistics			
24. Procurement	87.7%	(1)(2)(3)( <b>4</b> )	75.9%
25. Distribution, Stock and Inventory Management	78.7%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	72.1%
26. Quality Control for Critical Drugs, Equipment and Supplies	68.3%	(1)(2)(3)(4)	78.5%
Information			
27. Data Collection System	44.4%	(1)( <b>2</b> )(3)(4)	70.4%
28. Data Use and Culture of Information	51.6%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	70%
29. Stakeholder Communications and Reporting	58.3%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	84%

Overall Average	68.1%		83%
C. Marketing			
31. Market Awareness and Strategy	50%	(1)(2)(3)(4)	63%
32. Marketing Modes/Channels	55.5%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	74.2%
33. External Image and Promotion	59.2%	(1)(2)(3)( <b>4</b> )	81%
34. Resource Development /Proposal Management	54.2%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	62%
35. Pricing Policy	56%	(1)(2)(3)(4)	83%
36. Marketing Implementation	23.8%	(1)(2)(3)(4)	50%
37. Core Skills In Presentation and Representation	40%	(1)(2)(3)(4)	71%
Overall average	48.4%		69.2%
D. Skills Transfer Approaches			
38. Consulting Services Quality	59.6%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	65%
39. External Training Quality	59.1%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	62%
40. Training and Technical Assistance Planning	42%	(1)(2)(3)(4)	54%
41. Coaching and Mentoring	56%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	56%
42. Materials and Tools	44%	(1)(2)(3)(4)	56%
43. Technology for Capacity Development	35%	(1)(2)( <b>3</b> )(4)	56%
44. Comprehensiveness of Approach	48%	(1)(2)(3)(4)	58%
Overall average	49.1%	56.7%	58%

The ranking in column two is according the following criteria and has the following implications:

- Beginning steps (0-25%)
- Showing results (26-50%)
- Systematically achieving (51-79%)
- Model system (80-100%)

# **Annexe 2: List of Participants**

NO.	NAME	OCCUPATION	RANK	DIRECTORATE/UNIT
	Organizational Mar	nagement group		
1.	Dr. Nsiah Asare	Surgeon Specialist	Chief Executive Officer	Administration
2.	Dr. Karikari	Principal Medical Officer	Medical Director	Administration
3.	Mr Miah	Director of Finance	Director of Finance	Administration
4.	Ms. Sybil Osei- Agyemang-Yeboah	Pharmacist	Principal Pharmacist	Pharmacy
5.	Dr. Cathy Dawson Amoah	Senior Medical Officer	Head Public Health Unit	Polyclinic
	<b>Technical Capacity</b>			
6.	Mr. Christopher Akanbobnaab	Business Manager	Health Services Administrator	Technical Services
7.	Mr Charles Agyekum			Human resource/ administration
8.	Mrs. Aquiline Sagoe	Nurse Manager	Deputy Director Nursing Services	Medicine
	Skills Transfer			
9.	Mr. Clement Opoku- Okrah	Lecturer KNUST	Biomedical Scientist	Diagnostic
10.	Ms. Thersesa Kwofie	Nursing	Principal Nursing Officer	Administration
11.	Dr. Collins Frimpong	Medical Officer	Acting Head of Polyclinic	Polyclinic
12.	Mr Anthony Mensah	Clinical Pharmacist	Pharmacy Manager	Child Health
	Marketing			
13.	Ms. Patience Ampong	Administrative assistant	DNS	Administration
14.	Mr. Kwame Frimpong		Public Relations Officer	
15.	Mrs Georgina Yeboah	Adminstrator	Manager	Human Resource Unit/ Administration
16.	Mr. Joseph Amankwah	Administrative assistant	Administrative Officer	Administration
17.	Ms. Adwoa Amankwah- Ntim	Administrator	Health services administrator	Polyclinic
18.	Mr. Emanuel Aboagye	Admin strator	Business Manager	Surgery